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Tutorial #2

Customizing the GIMP Interface

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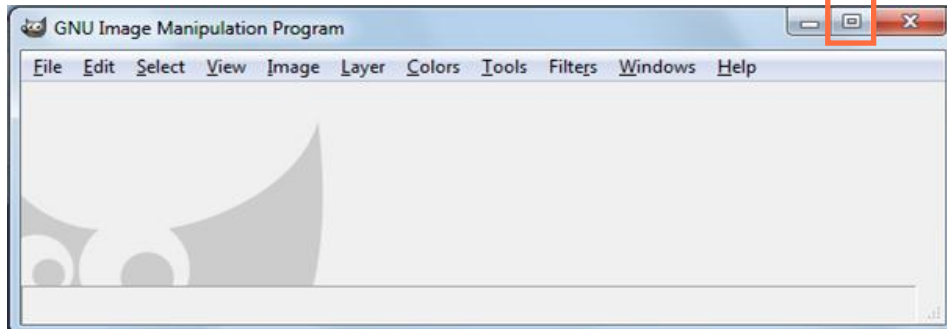
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Customizing the GIMP Interface

In order to ensure that everyone has the same layout of their interface and that the tools we require are available, we will customize the GIMP interface slightly.

Maximize the Image Window

Step 1: Click on the Maximize button in the top left hand side of the Image Window to maximize the window.

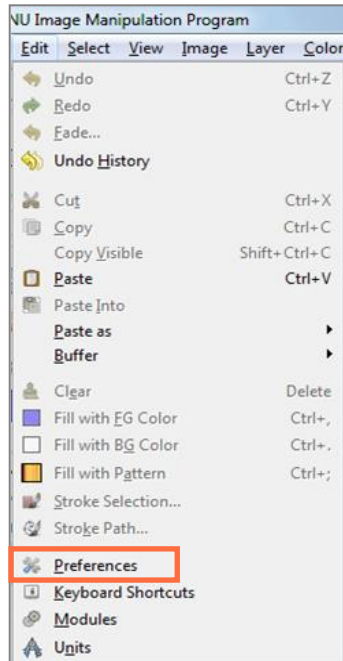


Tip: You may now re-position your Toolbox and Layers dialog boxes so that they are in the location you want them on the screen.

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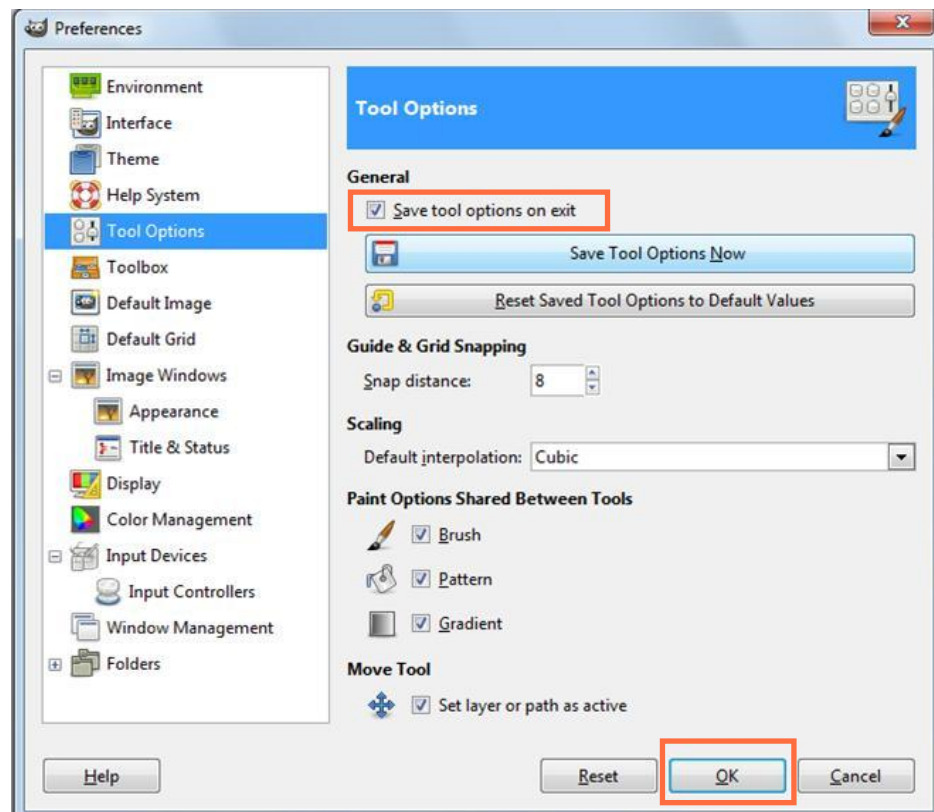
Saving Tool Options

Step 1: Click on Edit > Preferences



Step 2: Click on Tool Options > Save tool options on exit.

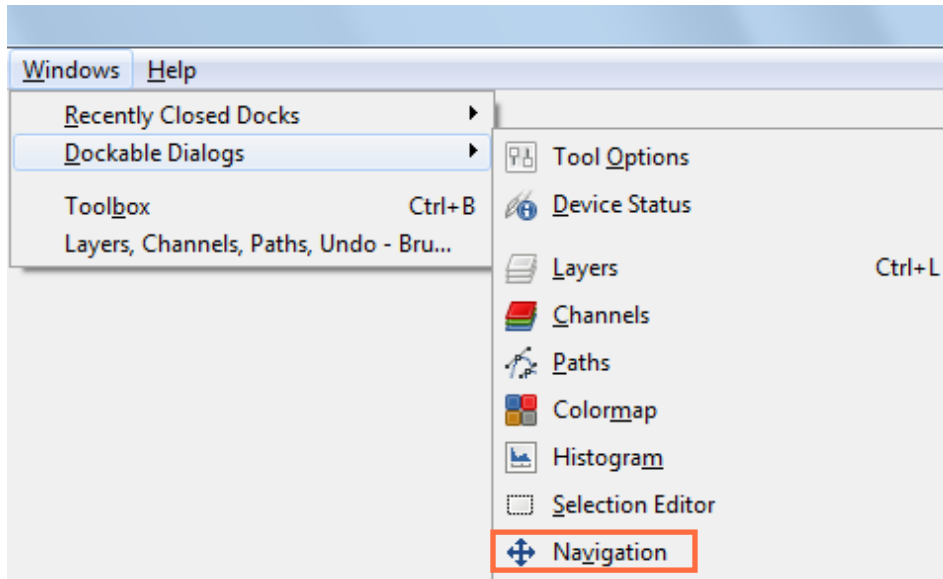
Step 3: Click OK.



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Docking the Navigation Dialog

Step 1: Click on WINDOWS > Dockable Dialogs > Navigation.



The following dialog will open.

The Navigation dialog will make it easier to view, move, and scale the image you are working with.



Step 2: Click and move the dialog box to any area of the screen you wish. It freely floats on top of the image window.

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Setting up Move Active Layer

Step 1: Click Toolbox > MOVE tool



The MOVE options will open below.



Step 3: Click on the radial button to select **Move the active layer**.

This will help us later when we want to work with more than one layer.

The interface is now ready for us to use!

Step 4: Click File > Quit to exit GIMP and save all your settings.



Tip: If your GIMP layout is lost, your arrangement is easy to recover using Windows > Recently Closed Docks.